



Docket: T2147-906520

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of :
Armand NACHEF et al. :
Serial No.: 09/582,755 :
Filed: November 3, 2000 : Group Art Unit: 2122
For: METHOD FOR CONTROLLING A : Examiner: Kuo Liang J. TANG
FUNCTION EXECUTABLE BY SPECIFIC :
COMMANDS TO DIFFERENT SOFTWARE :
TOOLS :

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION AFTER FINAL

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated October 5, 2004, and further to the attached Petition for Extension of Time, reconsideration in view of the following comments is respectfully requested. Claims 7-27 are pending.

The Final Office Action maintains the rejection of claims 7-9, 11, 13, 15, 17, 19-20, 22-24 and 26-27 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,434,694 to Slaughter et al. (hereinafter "Slaughter") in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,634,016 to Steadham et al. (hereinafter "Steadham"). Furthermore, claims 8, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18, 21 and 25 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as unpatentable over Slaughter in view of Steadham and further in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,678,047 to Golshani et al. (hereinafter "Golshani").

Independent Claim 7 recites a method for controlling a function executable by various software products by means of commands specific to the respective software products and each command capable of having at least one option... including defining in an abstract class